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In re Application of
Yuri V. Melnik et al
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c), filed May 20, 2005, which is being treated under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for express abandonment. See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3). The above-identified application is expressly abandoned in favor of a continuing application filed via Express Mail on May 20, 2005.

The application is hereby withdrawn from issue, and the abandonment is hereby recognized.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Wan Laymon at (571) 272-3220.

This matter is being referred to Files Repository.

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